

## Message Text

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R 261955Z AUG 77  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY BONN  
USMISSION USBERLIN

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ASEC, PINS

SUBJECT: TELEPHONIC THREAT TO FRG CONSULATE AT LOS ANGELES

1. THE FOLLOWING INCIDENT IS BEING TRANSMITTED TO POST FOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION.

2. ON AUGUST 22, 1977, FRG CONSUL AT LOS ANGELES NOTIFIED FBI THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A THREATENING TELEPHONIC CALL. CALLER IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS LUCIANO BANANO (PHONETIC) AND ASKED TO SPEAK WITH CONSUL GENERAL. WHEN INFORMED CG WAS BUSY, CALLER THEN SAID "IF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY DOES NOT FIND AN ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION IN THE KAPPLER AFFAIR, THAT IS, IF KAPPLER IS NOT RETURNED TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT, MY PEOPLE WILL SHOW YOU THAT WE CAN ALSO KILL."

3. ACCORDING TO FRG CONSUL, CALLER FURTHER STATED THAT UNCLASSIFIED

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A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY OF ONE OF THE OFFICERS OF THE CONSULATE WOULD BE ASSASSINATED. CALLER THEN HUNG UP.

4. A SUSPECT WAS INTERVIEWED ON AUGUST 23 BUT DENIED INVOLVEMENT.

5. ON AUGUST 25, FRG CONSUL RECEIVED ANOTHER THREATENING CALL FROM A LUCIANO BANANNO. CALLER SAID IF KAPPLER IS NOT EXTRADITED BACK TO ITALY SOME CONSULATE EMPLOYEE OR FAMILY MEMBER IS "GOING TO GET IT."

6. INVESTIGATION IS CONTINUING BY FBI WHO IS COORDINATING POSSIBLE PROTECTIVE MEASURES OF CONGEN EMPLOYEES WITH LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT.

7. IF POST WISHES, SY/CC THREAT ANALYSIS GROUP WILL KEEP POST ADVISED. CHRISTOPHER

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\*\*\* Current Handling Restrictions \*\*\* n/a

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